

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please cancel claims 1-17 without prejudice and add new claims 18-32 as follows.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (New) A printer control device for controlling a printer, said printer control device comprising a means for providing a user with an option to select whether at least one security code a) is required for both a first printing of print data and a reprinting of said print data, or b) is required only for the reprinting of said print data.

19. (New) The printer control device of claim 18, wherein the printer control device provides the user with a user interface on which the option is displayed.

20. (New) The printer control device of claim 19, wherein the at least one security code is manually input by a user through the user interface.

21. (New) The printer control device of claim 18, wherein the at least one security code uniquely corresponds to the user.

22. (New) The printer control device of claim 18, wherein a single security code is commonly assigned to both the first printing of said print data and the reprinting of said print data.

23. (New) A method for controlling a printer, the method comprising a step of providing a user with an option to select whether at least one security code a) is required for both a first printing of print data and a reprinting of said print data, or b) is required only for the reprinting of said print data.

24. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the option is provided by displaying a user interface.

25. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the at least one security code is manually input by a user through the user interface.

26. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the at least one security code uniquely corresponds to the user.

27. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein a single security code is commonly assigned to both the first printing of said print data and the reprinting of said print data.

28. (New) A computer program stored in a computer storage, the computer program causes a computer to carry out the method of claim 23.

29. (New) The computer program of claim 28, wherein the option is provided by displaying a user interface.

30. (New) The computer program of claim 29, wherein the at least one security code is manually input by a user through the user interface.

31. (New) The computer program of claim 28, wherein the at least one security code uniquely corresponds to the user.

32. (New) The computer program of claim 28, wherein a single security code is commonly assigned to both the first printing of said print data and the reprinting of said print data.